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In re Application of

Shinichiro KAWANO, *et al.*

Group Art Unit: 2834

Serial No.: 09/719,663

Examiner: J. Jones

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For: LINEAR MOTOR

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
WITH CLAIM FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

In reply to the April 9, 2002 Office Action, this application has been amended as indicated below. A marked up version showing the incorporated changes is attached.

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Enclosed for the examiner's approval are copies of Figs. 2(b) and 19 with red ink markings showing the proposed changes, namely adding the legend "Prior Art" to comply with the examiner's request.

✓ IN THE CLAIMS:

✓ Kindly cancel claims 18 and 25.

Kindly replace claims 1-3, 12, 13, 15-17, 19-24, 26, and 27 with the following corresponding replacement claims:

--1. (Amended) A linear motor comprising:

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cont.
- (a) a tubular outer yoke;
 - (b) a tubular inner yoke disposed in said outer yoke;
 - (c) a coil provided to one of said outer yoke and said inner yoke;
 - (d) a permanent magnet located between said outer yoke and said inner yoke and that